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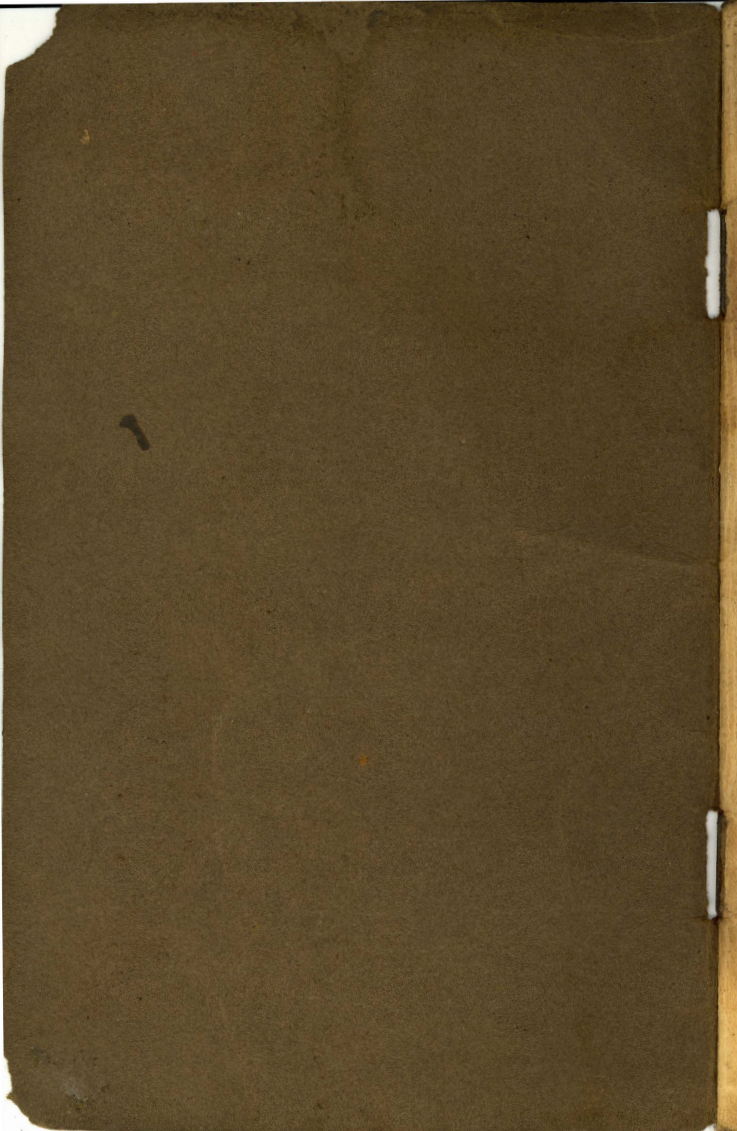


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FRIDAY MORNING

The fifth annual session of New Hope Association of United Baptists convened with Sugar Loaf Church, October 3. Services were introduced by Elder John King, after which the introductory sermon was delivered by Elder Wm. Hall from Psalm 1-6. Then the delegates assembled at the house for business. The work began by song, and prayer by Elder Webster Greer, then proceeded to business as follows:

1. The Rules of Decorum were read by Bro. Clerk and a strict compliance to the same was advised by the Moderator.

2. Then Geo. Horn and Geo. Campbell were appointed to see that order was had on the Association grounds.

3. Brothers Will Merritt and Grant Pelfry were appointed to see that the stand be occupied with ministers.

4. The letters from the different churches composing the New Hope Association were read and received and delegates seated, to-wit:

New Hope Church—Brothers B. W. Craft, Wm. Hall and Sam Calhoun, delegates.

Prestonsburg—Brothers A. J. Stevens, M. C. Hughes, and T. G. Collett, delegates.

East Point—Brothers Webster Greer, C. C. Hyden, and Alex Webb, delegates.

Little Rock—Brothers R. D. Holbrook, M. P. Holbrook, and N. T. Puckett, delegates.

Chestnut Grove—Brothers Lewis Miller, Wash Miller, and German Miller, delegates.

Sweet Home—Brothers Alex Hyden, Faris Bradley, and Millard Hamilton, delegates.

Sugar Loaf—Brothers A. J. Wright, Malcolm Hubbard, and Wm. Chatman, delegates.

New Life—Brothers David Akers, Liney Boyd, and Isaac Stratton, delegates.

Cynthiana—Brothers John King, John Mead, and K. F. Mead, delegates.

Clear Creek—Brothers Wm. Boyd, Andy Brown, and Andy Jones, delegates.

5. By the voice of delegates present Elder S. G. Rice was chosen Moderator, and Elder Will Hall, Assistant Moderator, Bro. S. A. Rice, Clerk, Bro. Alex Stevens, Assistant Clerk of the Association for the next year.

6. Called for new churches and received none.

7. Called for letters from corresponding Associations and received letter from Paint Union by Elder W. W. Daniels; one from Blain Union by Elder O. W. Mullens; one from Iron Hill by Elders A. M. Pennington, Sidney Jones; one from Olive by Elder Ali Ward and Bros. S. S. Owens, Monroe Edington; one from Bethlehem by Elders Aren Queen, B. F. Mead, and C. E. Counts. Letter from Zion called for but delegates withheld same. All the above corresponding Associations were received and delegates seated by Moderator giving each of them the right hand of fellowship.

8. By motion we try to seek correspondence with Mt. Zion Association.

9. By motion we correspond with and chose the following brothers to write letters to the following Associations:

Bro. T. G. Collett to Paint Union.

Bro. B. W. Craft to Blain Union.

Bro. David Akers to Olive.

Bro. J. D Hurd to Iron Hill.

Bro. George Patrick to Mt. Zion.

Bro. to Bethlehem.

10. Brothers B. W. Craft, Andy Jones and Charley Ousley with the Moderator and Clerk. were appointed on Committee on Bill of Arrangements for tomorrow.

11. By motion we adjourn until 9 a. m. Saturday.

SATURDAY MORNING

Delegates met at the house Saturday 9 a. Service was introduced by Bro. O. W. Mullens.

2. Roll called and found a quorum present.

3. Letters to the different Associations were read and received and appointed delegates to bear these letters.

Brothers T. J. Smith, Lon Childers, A. J. Wright being delegates to Blain Union when convened with Fannin Valley Church, Elliott County, Ky., commencing on the fourth Friday in September, 1925.

Brothers B. W. Craft, S. G. Rice, Wm. Hall being delegates to Paint Union, when convened with Oil Springs Church, Johnson County, Ky., commencing on the third Friday in September, 1925.

Brothers Wm. Hall, A. J. Wright and John King being delegates to Bethlehem Association when convened with _____ Church, _____ County, W. Va., commencing on Friday before the first Sunday in September, 1925.

Brothers Malcolm Hubbard, M. C. Hughes and Isaac Stratton being delegates to Olive Association when convened with Lenore Church, commencing on the fourth Friday in September, 1925.

Brothers S. G. Rice, A. J. Wright, Andy Jones being delegates to Iron Hill Association when convened with Mt. Chapel Church, commencing on the second Friday in September, 1925.

Brothers John Meade, Wm. Chatman and T. J. Smith delegates to Mt. Zion Association.

4. Our next conference meeting will be held with Clear Creek Church, commencing on fourth Friday in July, 1925. Bros. John King, Lon Childers and B. W. Craft attend the same.

5. Our next union meeting will be held with Prestonsburg Church, commencing on the fourth

Friday in August, 1925. Bros. Wm. Hall, John King and Alex Stevens attend the same.

6. By report of our last conference meeting our next Association will be held with Sweet Home Church, commencing on the first Friday in October, 1925.

7. The treasurer, Bro. Alex Stevens, reports \$10.85 in his hands from last year.

8. By voice of the Association Bro. B. W. Craft will preach the introductory sermon at our next Association, and Bro. C. C. Hyden will be his alternate.

9. By voice of delegation the following brothers will preach tomorrow: 1. Bro. John King introduce; 2. Bro. W. W. Daniels preach; 3. Bro. A. M. Pennington preach; 4. Bro. S. A. Jones preach; 5. Bro. S. G. Rice close.

10. The contributions from the several churches this year, \$37.05.

11. Resolved that Bro. S. A. Rice, Clerk, and Bro. Alex Stevens, Treasurer, superintend the printing of our minutes and that we have 500 copies.

12. By motion we have placed in our minutes the names of all our ordained ministers of the New Hope Association.

13. Resolved that all the New Hope Association tender her thanks to the Sugar Loaf Church and to all the vicinity for their kindness and hospitality during this association.

14. By motion we close the work of this Association with a few words of exhortation and prayer by Bro. W. W. Daniels.

SUNDAY

A large crowd assembled at the stand Sunday morning. Service was introduced by Bro. John King.

First came Bro. W. W. Daniels and preached from

Second came Bro. A. M. Pennington and preached from

Third came Bro. S. G. Rice and closed the service. The brethren were much blessed with the divine spirit of God and we hope much good may be accomplished in the name of the Savior.

ELDER S. G. RICE, Moderator.

BRO. S. A. RICE, Clerk.

BRO. ALEX STEVENS, Ass't Clerk.

PREAMBLE AND CONSTITUTION

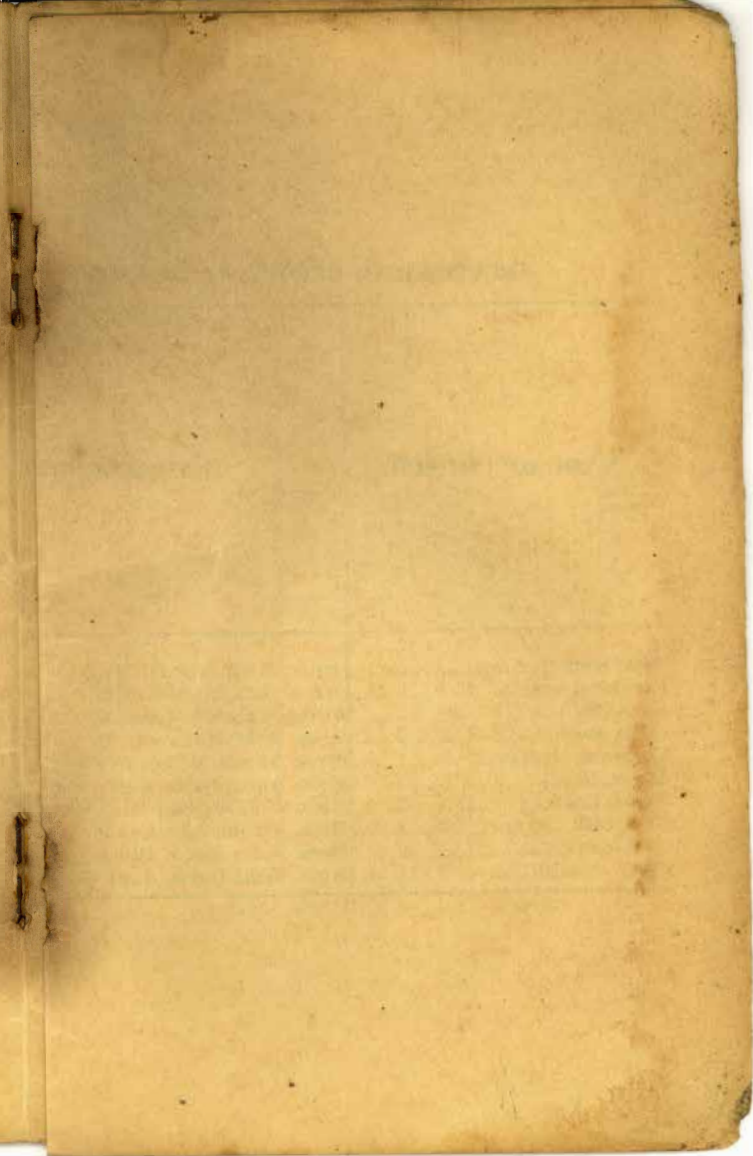
From a long series of experience, we, the churches of Jesus Christ, being regularly baptized upon our profession of faith in Jesus Christ, are convinced of the necessity of a combination of churches, in order to perpetuate a union and communion among us, and preserve, maintain and keep the rules and orders of an association, according to the following plan or form of government:

Art. 1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different churches, and duly sent to represent in the Association who shall be members whom they think best qualified for that purpose, and producing letters from their respective churches certifying their appointment shall be entitled to seats.

Art. 2. In the letters from the different churches shall be expressed their full fellowship, their baptized, restored, received by letter, dismissed, excommunicated and dead, since the last association.

Art. 3. The members thus chosen and convened shall have no power to lord it over God's heritage, nor shall they have any clerical power over the churches, nor shall they infringe on the internal rights of any church of the union.

Art. 4. The Association when convened shall be governed and ruled by a proper decorum.



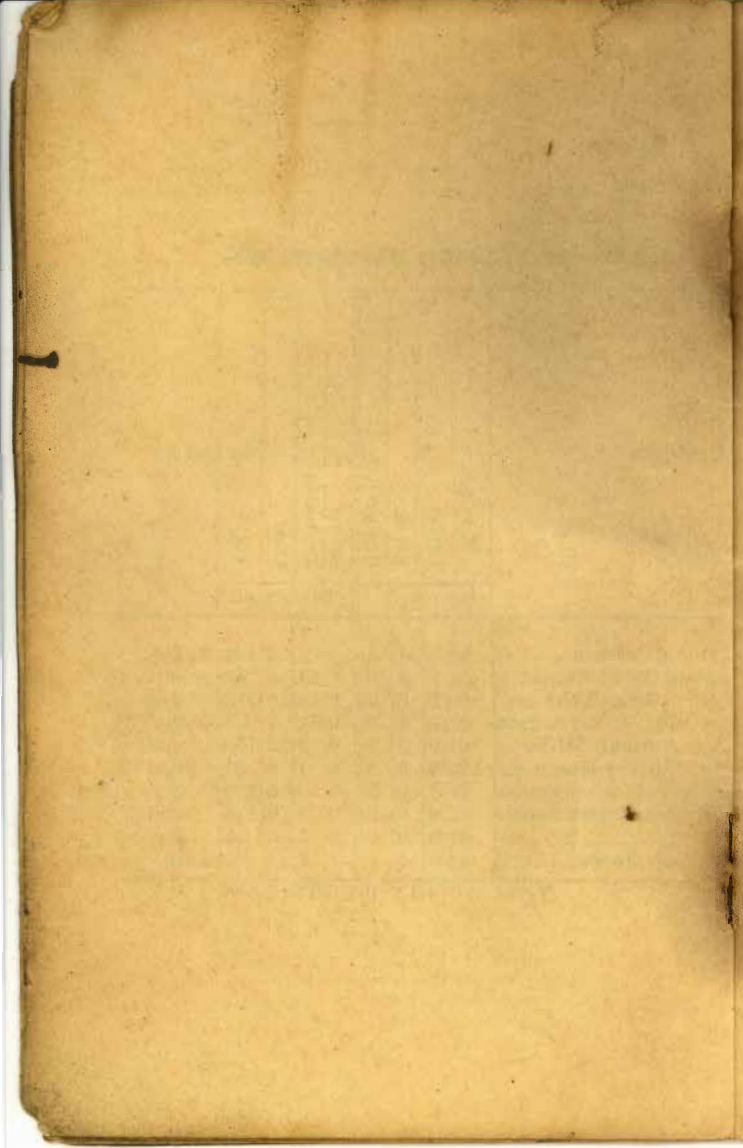
STATISTICAL REPORT OF NEW HOPE

NAME OF CHURCH	NAMES OF DEL
New Hope..... Prestonsburg..... East Point..... Little Rock..... Chestnut Grove..... Sweet Home..... Sugar Loaf..... New Life..... Cynthiana..... Clear Creek.....	Bros. B. W. Craft, Wm. Hall, Bros. A. J. Stevens, M. C. Hu Bros. Webster Greer, C. C. H Bros. R. D. Holbrook, M. P. Ho Bros. Lewis Miller, Wash Mil Bros. Alex Hyden, Faris Bradl Bros. A. J. Wright, Malcom Hu Bros. David Akers, Liney Vo Bros. John Mead, Elder Joh Bros. Wm. Boyd, Andy Brov

ASSOCIATION OF UNITED BAPTISTS, 1924

LEGATES

LEGATES									Meeting Time	
	Baptism					Letter	Excluded	Died		Total
	Letter	Recom.	Restored							
	Received				Dismissed					
ll, Sam Calhoun.....	8		1	1	1	1	2	124	1st	
Hughes, T. G. Collett....	8	0	4	0	0	1	2	99	4th	
Hyden, Alex Webb.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	112	2nd	
Holbrook, N. T. Puckett	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	58	2nd	
Miller, German Miller....	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	156	4th	
rdley, Millard Hamilton	2	0	3	0	0	1	0	33	3rd	
Hubbard, Wm. Chatman	7	1	0	2	4	3	0	129	3rd	
oyd, Isaac Sfratton....	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	118	2nd	
King.....	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	35	3rd	
n, Andy Jones.....	4	0	4	0	1	1	0	22	4th	
Total	30	4	12	6	6	11	7	886		



Art. 5. The Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the suffrage of members present.

Art. 6. New churches shall be admitted into our union who shall petition by letter and delegate, and, if found upon examination to be orthodox and orderly, shall be received by the Association and manifested by the Moderator giving the right hand of fellowship.

Art. 7. Every church in the union shall be entitled to representation in the Association.

Art. 8. Every query presented by any church to the Association being first debated in their own church, shall be taken up by the Association.

Art. 9. Every motion made and seconded shall be taken up by the Association except it be withdrawn by the member who made it.

Art. 10. The Association shall endeavor to furnish the churches with minutes of the Association.

Art. 11. The churches shall send money by the delegates of each church to pay for printing the minutes of the Association.

Art. 12. There shall be a record book kept wherein the proceedings of every Association shall be regularly recorded by a Secretary appointed for that purpose.

Art. 13. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected, if need be, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk before the Association rises.

Art. 14. Amendments of this plan or form of government may be made at any time by a majority of the union when they deem it necessary.

Art. 15. All matters coming before the Association shall be decided by the will of the majority, except receiving new churches and corresponding with other associations, which shall be done by a unanimous vote.

Art. 16. The Association shall have power: 1. To provide for the general union of the churches; 2. To preserve inviolably a chain of communica-

tion among the churches; 3. To give the churches all necessary advice in matters of difficulty; 4. To inquire into the cause why the churches fail at any time to represent themselves at the Association; 5. To appoint any member or members by and with their consent to transact any business which they may think necessary; 6. To withdraw from any church in this union which shall violate the rules of this Association or deviate from the orthodox principles of religion; 7. To admit any orderly minister of our order to a seat with us in the Association; 8. To adjourn to any future time and place most convenient to the church or union. 9. No minister shall be ordained unless forwarded by a church, and it shall require two or more ordained ministers to compose a presbytery for that purpose.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Art. 1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

Art. 2. A Moderator and Clerk shall be chosen by the suffrage of the members present.

Art. 3. Only one member shall speak at the same time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator when he is about to make his speech.

Art. 4. The person thus speaking shall not be interrupted in his speech, except by the Moderator, till he is done speaking and shall strictly adhere to the subject and in no wise reflect on the person who has spoken before or make any remarks on his slips and failures and imperfections, but shall verily state the cause and matter as nearly as he can, so as to convey his light or idea.

Art. 5. No person shall rise and speak more than three times on one subject without liberty obtained from the Association.

Art. 6. No person shall abruptly break off or

absent himself from the Association without liberty obtained from it.

Art. 7. No member of the Association shall have the liberty of laughing during the sitting of same, nor whispering in time of public speech.

Art. 8. No member of the Association shall address another by any title or appellation other than that of brother.

Art. 9. The Moderator shall not interrupt a member until he gives his idea upon the subject, except he breaks the rules of decorum.

Art. 10. The names of the members of the Association shall be enrolled by the Clerk and called over as often as the Association requires.

Art. 11. The Moderator shall have the same privilege of speech as any other member, provided the chair be filled, but shall have no vote unless the Association be equally divided.

Art. 12. Any member who shall wilfully and knowingly break any of the rules shall be reprov'd by the Association as it may think proper.

Art. 13. But three members shall take a seat in the Association from each church.

Art. 14. These rules of decorum shall be read by the Clerk at the commencement of every Association.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

We, the churches of Jesus Christ of United Baptists, are constituted on the following faith, viz :

Art. 1. We believe in only one true and living God, the creator of the heavens and earth and all things that are therein contained.

Art. 2. We believe in Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, who is Head and King of His church.

Art. 3. We believe in the Holy Ghost, the Sealer and Applier of the redemption purchased by Christ.

Art. 4. We believe in the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and these three are one.

Art. 5. We believe in the scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the infallible word of God, take it for our only rule of faith and practice, and nothing is to be added to it or taken from it.

Art. 6. We believe in the free atonement of Jesus Christ and that he tasted death for every man and that salvation is offered to all men and women upon the terms of the gospel.

Art. 7. We believe that repentance and faith in the Lord Jesus Christ are necessary previous to baptism and that immersion is the only right way of administering the ordinance.

Art. 8. We believe that Christ has but one true gospel church and that it will finally persevere through grace to glory.

Art. 9. We believe in the communion of the Lord's Supper, that is, the taking of the bread and wine by the church of Jesus Christ in commemoration of the death and suffering of the Son of God until his second coming.

Art. 10. We believe that feet washing is an ordinance of Jesus Christ and ought to be observed and kept up by his church until his second coming.

Art. 11. We believe in the sum of the moral law as it stands on record in the Book of Exodus.

Art. 12. We believe that Jesus Christ is the first resurrection from the dead and that he lives forever.

Art. 13. We believe in the resurrection of the just and unjust.

Art. 14. We believe in the final punishment of the wicked and the eternal happiness of the righteous.

NAMES OF MINISTERS

Elder Webster Greer	East Point, Ky.
Elder Alex Webb	East Point, Ky.
Elder C. C. Hyden	Prestonsburg, Ky.
Elder T. G. Collett	Prestonsburg, Ky.
Elder T. J. Smith	Prestonsburg, Ky.
Elder Geo. Patrick	Prestonsburg, Ky.
Elder Wm. Hall	Prestonsburg, Ky.
Elder R. D. Holbrook	Myrtle, Ky.
Elder Alex Stevens	Dock, Ky.
Elder Alex Hyden	Dock, Ky.
Elder Albert Dickson	Dock, Ky.
Elder Andy Stevens	Water Gap, Ky.
Elder B. W. Craft	Water Gap, Ky.
Elder Lon Childers	Emma, Ky.
Elder A. J. Wright	Emma, Ky.
Elder Isaac Stratton	Banner, Ky.
Elder S. G. Rice	Banner, Ky.
Elder Cesco Rice	Ivel, Ky.
Elder John King	Boldman, Ky.
Elder Andy Jones	Galveston, Ky.
Elder Ruben Hall	Prestonsburg, Ky.
Elder Mack Hughes	Water Gap, Ky.